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INSIDE

Fort Riley has gone all out for Halloween this year. Look to Page 10 to get the spooky scoop.



Last day to drop Fall '09 courses

By Melissa Short
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Today is the last day for students to drop a full-term course. If a student chooses to drop a class after today, they will receive a "W" or withdraw on their transcript and will not receive a refund.

"After today students cannot drop a class at all," said Gunile DeVault, associate registrar. "The schedule they have is their schedule for the semester."

DeVault said classes that are not full-term do not apply and the drop date for those courses are pro-rated and vary from class to class. DeVault said the drop dates for these classes can be found on the K-State Web site.

DeVault said if a student elects to drop a class and receive a "W," they can take the same class the next semester with no penalty. According to K-State's Academic Policy, if a student retakes a class, it will be noted on their transcript as a retake, and the grade from the most recent term will be used in the student's GPA, whether it is higher or lower than the original grade. However, a student can retake the same class to remove a previous grade only once. If the student chooses to retake the class more than once, all of the subsequent course grades will be factored into their GPA.

Students can drop classes on their iSIS accounts, and anyone who has questions should contact their academic adviser or the Office of Enrollment Services, located at 210 Willard Hall.

SGA

Rec Center expansion plans presented

By Danny Davis
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Members involved with the Peters Recreation Center Expansion gave an initial presentation to the Student Governing Association at Thursday's meeting.

The project is currently still in the design stage, but the group was able give a progress update and provide insight to the design. They are hopeful that with continued progress, the design will go up to contractors for bidding in January.

Currently, the fall of 2011 is the anticipated completion date, but the group stressed that the project is still in the planning stages.

David McMullen gave an overview of the planned expansions and exterior upgrades. The completed expansion will leave the building with two entrances.

"It's basically a new front to the building," McMullen said of the addition to the south side of the building. "There will be a student gathering area, maybe some picnic tables."

Another feature introduced during the presentation was a climbing tower that will be featured by the new entrance. It will have two walls of glass windows with a third of limestone.

On the north side of the building, there are plans to create a new gymnasium to serve multiple functions. The gym will be able to host games of indoor soccer, basketball and volleyball. An indoor track is planned to be located above the gym.

"[This type of gym] is a very specialized thing," said Steve Martini, director of recreational services. "We're seeing it at a lot of universities now."

Another idea that was mentioned was the possibility of renting gym space to groups and clubs for activities. The plan allows for it to be di-

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Up 'til Dawn

POIZE dance team performs at fundraiser



Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN

Kolbi Redding, sophomore in elementary education, dances with the Poize hip hop dance group Thursday in the K-State Student Union.

By Hannah Loftus
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The hip hop dance group, Poize, provided entertainment for students in the K-State Student Union Thursday by performing routines to popular songs.

The hip hop dance group was established four years ago to provide entertainment for different groups on or off campus, said Lisa Loges, sophomore in biology and a member of the dance team.

"We generally don't ask for any money or charge for our performances, but we do ask for donations from the audience," Loges said. "It's always nice to know that people appreciate our performances, and we love putting on a show for people."

The team performed Thursday on the lower level of the Union for students.

"I think it is so cool to see people dance. It's hot and I wish I could do it," said Chelsie Hastert, junior in secondary education.

They included some popular songs in their dance line up, including Michael Jackson's "Thriller" and songs from performing artist Beyoncé.

Poize performed last night in the Union for the annual fundraiser of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital located in Memphis, Tenn.

According to Lee Van Loenen, senior in accounting and pre-law, St. Jude also had their annual Up 'til Dawn Letter-Writing Party in the Union Ballroom last night.

"Over the past years we have raised over \$800,000 for the children of St. Jude," Loenen said. "This year we are hoping to raise over \$200,000 so that way we can hit our million dollar mark."

Loenen said raising money for the hospital is easy and a great way to raise money for children suffering from cancer and other catastrophic diseases. He also said there were prizes and food at the event.

Event raises money for St. Jude hospital



Tommy Theis | COLLEGIAN

Mitch Jost shares his experience as a young child with cancer at the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

By Karen Ingram
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

More than 300 students packed the Student Union Ballroom to raise money for St. Jude Children's Hospital at the annual Up 'til Dawn event Thursday.

The fundraiser was an event filled with food, raffle drawings and a performance by K-State's Poize Hip Hop Dance Team. The items in the raffle drawing were donated by area merchants and included T-shirts, gift certificates, novelties from Acme Gifts, and the grand prize of a Nintendo Wii. Students had to submit at least 35 letters to qualify for a raffle ticket.

St. Jude hospital specializes in research and treatment of cancer in children. According to their Web site, they are the only pediatric cancer research center that does not require families to pay for treatment not covered by their insurance. They provide surgery and

other treatments for children under 18, as well as cover the cost of travel and lodging for their parents. Up 'til Dawn has been raising money for St. Jude for 10 years, and the K-State chapter has been active for eight of those years.

Jane Saragusa, senior in apparel marketing and vice director of the K-State chapter of Up 'til Dawn, said that it costs about \$1.4 million per day for the hospital to run as a result of their generosity.

Saragusa also said their goal this year was to raise enough money to keep the hospital running for 3 hours - about \$180,000. Last year, Up 'til Dawn succeeded in raising over \$160,000 in donations through their letter-writing campaign.

Niki Leonard, senior event marketing representative from St. Jude, said K-State was one of the top fundraisers in the nation

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Mercy Hospital changes visitation policies

By Shelton Burch
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Mercy Regional Health Center recently announced a change to its rules dealing with visitors to the hospital.

According to a press release from Mercy Regional, children under the age of 12 are prohibited from visiting the hospital. Jana Broadbent, Community Relations Coordinator for Mercy Regional, said the new precautions are being put into place to minimize the spread of the H1N1 virus.

"It's all about keeping the public safe," Broadbent said. "We don't want someone coming to visit and accidentally contracting it and taking it to Wal-Mart with them."

Broadbent said other policy changes include the limiting of visitors to the Birth and Women's Center to only one



Matt Castro | COLLEGIAN

Mercy Regional Health Center has recently changed its visitation policies in order to reduce the risk of spreading of the H1N1 virus.

supporting person for each patient. It is also prohibits children from the center and dis-

continuing tours there. Manhattan is not the only Kansas hospital to do this, Broadbent

said. Hospitals across the state are taking similar measures to stop the spread of the H1N1 virus, Broadbent said. This includes Via Christi Health System's medical centers in Wichita.

Broadbent said the precautions are necessary because Mercy Regional has dealt with an increase in patients with flu-like symptoms recently.

"We're just trying to keep the public safe," she said.

More changes are possible to the visitation policies of the hospital in the event that cases of the flu continue to come to the hospital, but Broadbent said she can't anticipate which areas are most likely to be affected.

"It just depends on what happens," she said.

Students and Manhattan citizens who visit the hospital are advised to stop by the front desk to be told about the most recent changes.

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STREET TALK

Check out **Page 10** to see what spooky things are going on at Fort Riley.

Q: If you could be anything for Halloween what would it be?



“The Dude from ‘The Big Lebowski.’”

Collin Hoes
Senior, music



“Construction worker, because they know how to operate any tool.”

Elliot Arpin
Junior, music



“Got to say a hippie Rasta wig with dreads. No bong.”

Megan Hartley
Topeka Resident



“Nudist on strike. It's actually what I'm going to be.”

Amy Taylor
Sophomore, elementary education

THE PLANNER

CAMPUS BULLETIN BOARD

The Konza Prairie Quilters Guild is presenting the "Think Pink: Quilt Show" from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout October at the Johnson Center for Basic Cancer Research, Chalmers 001. For the event, which is in observance of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, enter through the courtyard on 17th Street.

The K-State Volunteer Center of Manhattan announces the 2009 Community Service Week, which ends today. The event offers various sites and service projects. Students interested in volunteering can view the project descriptions and the week's events online at k-state.edu/volunteer-center. Directions for signing up will be listed on the site. In addition to the Web site, you can visit the volunteer center on Facebook.com to sign up for Community Service Week opportunities. For more information, contact Laura Cline at 785-532-3670 or urserve@ksu.edu.

The SHAPE program is looking for members. Earn three UGE credit hours, gain leadership experience, improve public speaking skills and inform your peers about being safer. Print off applications, which are being accepted for spring 2010, at k-state.edu/lafene/SHAPE. The application is due today. Submit applications to Room 268 of Lafene Health Center, or send it attached to an e-mail to shape@ksu.edu.

Career and Employment Services is promoting "How to Work Education Career Fair" at 10:30 a.m.

today in Bluemont Hall 21. For more information, visit k-state.edu/ces.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Brian Lubbers at 1:30 p.m. today at the Practice Management Center in Trotter Hall. The thesis topic is "The Impact of Oxytetracycline Dosing on Bacterial Populations and Transfer of Resistance Elements in Vitro and in Vivo."

Mainstreet, a band playing popular jazz, soul and classic hits, will celebrate its 30th reunion on Halloween, Saturday, at the Columbian Theatre in Wamego with a costume party and concert. Tickets are \$12.50 in advance and \$15 at the door. Tickets may be purchased online at ColumbianTheatre.com or by calling the Columbian Theatre at 800-899-1893 or 785-456-2029.

The City of Manhattan Parks & Recreation Department has employment opportunities for the upcoming fall/winter season. Positions available are intramural basketball official, intramural basketball scorekeeper, ice rink attendants, ice skating instructors and volunteer basketball coaches. For questions, call 587-2757 or visit the city's Web site at ci.manhattan.ks.us.

Counseling Services is offering a free workshop called "Managing Stress and Anxiety" from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday in the English/Counseling Services Building, Room 231.

Rec Services is offering a five-week dance program called "Just Dance!" Monday evenings beginning Monday. Sign up for beginner, intermediate/advanced or advanced technique sessions in the office at Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, call 785-532-6980.

SafeZone is presenting "Sexual Assault and Healing" from 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. Tuesday in Room 212 of the K-State Student Union as part of its continuing education sessions. The presenter is Mary Todd, director of the Women's Center. Learn about the process of healing after the trauma of a sexual assault and how people and their communities can play a role in that process. To register, visit ksu.edu/safezone.

Donald Whittemore from the Geohydrology Section of the Kansas Geological Survey is presenting "Ground-water Flow Models for Water-Resources Planning and Management in Kansas" at 4 p.m. on Tuesday in Thompson Hall 213.

The Planner is the Collegian's bulletin board service. To place an item in the Planner, stop by Kedzie 116 and fill out a form or e-mail news editor Sarah Rajewski at news@pub.ksu.edu by 11 a.m. two days before it is to run. Some items might not appear because of space constraints but are guaranteed to appear on the day of the activity.

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If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Sarah Rajewski at 785-532-6556 or e-mail news@pub.ksu.edu.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY

Read **Page 5** for the editorial board's favorite Halloween memories.

When did you stop trick-or-treating?

A) 10-12 B) 13-15 C) 16-18 D) Stop?

To submit your answer, visit kstatecollegian.com. Results for the question of the day will be posted in the following issue of the Collegian.

Thursday's results: Would you buy liquor on Sundays? A) Yes: 77 % B) No: 20 %

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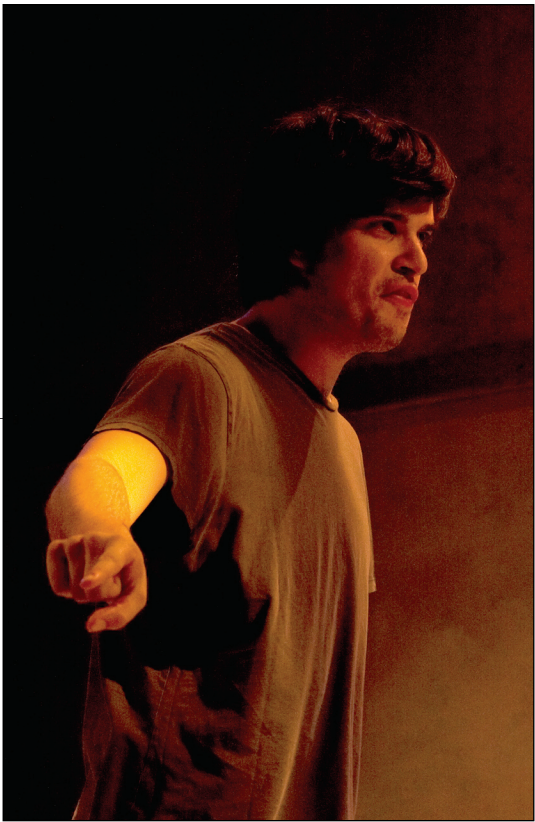


Bryant Letellier, sophomore in applied music, plays the trombone in the band The Housewreckers. **Letellier** played during the showcase of K-State's jazz ensembles.

Sara Manco
COLLEGIAN

Purple Masque premieres controversial religious play

Judas Iscariot, played by **Taylor Coate**, sophomore in philosophy, curses at Jesus, played by **Lauren Perez**, junior in business and theater. They are featured in "The Last Days of Judas Iscariot," which is showing at 7:30 tonight and Saturday at the Purple Masque Theatre.



Danny Davis
COLLEGIAN

Pauline Kennedy
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State Theater department gave a modern twist to the story of Judas Thursday night in the Purple Masque Theatre. The show entitled "The Last Days of Judas Iscariot", written by Stephen Adly Guirgis, was a provocative and humorous version of the days following Judas' betrayal of Jesus Christ. Ryan Bruce, director, said he thought the modern way the show was written was engaging for college students. He also said while casting they had a disclaimer discussing the controversial theme and language of the show. A majority of the play took place in the courtroom of purgatory, where a judge, awaiting her own fate, presided over each case. After Judas, played by Taylor Coate, sophomore in philosophy, betrayed Jesus and eventually hanged himself, an attorney brought forth his case to the courtroom of purgatory.

Most of the cast played several parts throughout the production, and the characters displayed a wide variety of personalities. The judge, played by Mackenzie Goodwin, junior in theater and modern languages, was a short-tempered and foul-mouthed character. The prosecutor, played by Andrew Hammond, senior in mass communications, charmed his witnesses, constantly complimenting them and occasionally hitting on Judas' attorney and the defense, played by Erin Grotheer, senior in pre-law and political science, was a troubled and stubborn character. The play was full of comic relief. Mother Teresa, Satan and Freud were just a few characters that took the stand during the trial, and at one point in the show ancient historical footage, taken during Judas' final hours, was presented as evidence. Between courtroom scenes, there were monologues and flashbacks from several apostles, saints and people still awaiting Judgement day.

Lauren Perez, junior in theater, said this is one of her favorite shows in which she has performed. Perez played Mother Teresa and Jesus in the play. "To play Jesus was very intimidating," she said. "I did whatever I could to show love and empathy with whoever was on stage." Students said they liked that the play provided several opinions on the story of Judas. "I like that it debates two different sides of the spectrum," said Newell Bowman, sophomore in pre-law and women's studies. Some students said they did not like the profanity in the play, but many students said the controversy and provocative nature of the performance drew them in. "I thought it was going to be boring," said Zack Wineinger, junior in electrical engineering, "but it keeps you on your toes." Bruce said the controversial theme of the show is one of the reasons he chose to take on the project.

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Should you give up meat for mankind?

I like meat. Steak, for example, is savory and goes very well with red wine. Some people out there are not the biggest fans of meat, however, and I'm fine with that.

To each his own, I say. Choosing what or what not to eat is a personal decision between a man and his grocery store.

However, when someone decides to force others to that decision, I have a problem. The Copenhagen Climate Change Conference, it appears, is planning to do just that.

The Times of London recently interviewed Lord Stern of Brentford about climate change, and he offered some interesting insights. During the interview, he said, "Meat is a wasteful use of water and creates a lot of greenhouse gases. It puts enormous pressure on the world's resources. A vegetarian diet is better."

According to the article, Lord Stern expects people to eventually reach the point where eating meat is no longer acceptable. Of course, rather than allowing society to reach that point – assuming it does, Lord Stern would like to see the Copenhagen Conference force people to avoid meat.

"A successful deal ... would lead to soaring costs for meat and other foods that gen-

erate large quantities of greenhouse gases," according to the Times article.

Well, for me, that would not be such a successful deal. Neither would it be for the K-State graduates who go into meat industries or the animal sciences and industry majors.

What can the Copenhagen Conference do to increase meat prices, and what does that mean for farmers and consumers?

Nothing good. Tariffs and quotas on exported and imported meat means meat will cost more for consumers. Producers won't be better off, either. In 2008, beef exports totaled nearly \$3 billion for the U.S. Imagine Copenhagen making that money disappear in our trying economic times. Not pretty, is it?

Sin taxes are popular for the government, right? Picture a tax for eating meat ... not only do producers get to sell less because of the artificially high price, consumers get to eat less meat at higher prices. Everyone loses!

Not even vegetarians win in this scenario. If people are going to eat less meat because taxes have pushed it out of their price range, then they will be buying more vegetables and fruit to replace their lost meat. More consumption means higher prices. Vegetarians and vegans get to pay more for their food, as well.

In the Middle Ages, meat was a specialty food, reserved for royalty. If you could afford to eat meat every day, then you were

a member of the upper class. When meat became a food the masses could enjoy, it broke down that class distinction and gave everyone the chance to have healthy, balanced diets that are necessary for doing well in academics and athletics.

Could legendary cornerback and K-State graduate Terence Newman have become as fast and strong as he is today if he had been denied meat as a child? I doubt it.

Taxing meat strongly to prevent people from eating it will not stop everyone from eating it, only the poor. Removing that choice from the poor sends our society back to that highly stratified structure from the Middle Ages.

Those harbingers of doom, the prophets of climate change, act like the royalty of old. Lord Stern even has the pedigree of royalty. They are sure they know what is best for us and decide to force us into that choice against our wishes.

These people don't care about the poor, about farmers, about agricultural schools like K-State or about any of those "lesser concerns" because they're saving the world, by golly.

Give up meat in your diet, turn your backs on the poor and drive all of the cattlemen in the world out of business. It is for your own good.

Frank Male is a senior in physics and political science. Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu



FRANK MALE

Texting while driving deserves ban in Manhattan

Many people, students in particular, are bemoaning the idea of a ban on cell phones while driving. I say, it's about time.

I can't begin to tell you how many times I've come to a crosswalk on my way to or from school and nearly have been run over. I do everything correctly: I push the button for the blinking light, look around to make sure there are no vehicles too close to stop, then proceed.

Inevitably, though, I end up doing a little number I like to call "the crosswalk two-step."

As the vehicle that refuses to stop thunders by and I get a good look at the jerk who is driving it,

I nearly always see one of two things: a phone glued to the person's ear, or a phone perched on top of their steering wheel, thumbs working furiously as they text nonsense to the recipient.

I understand that cell phones come in handy – I have one, myself – but unless there is a life-or-death emergency, I do not use my phone while I am driving. Whatever it is they are calling me for, it can wait five minutes until I reach a parking spot. That's why they invented voicemail.

I have used my phone once or twice while driving, and I quickly decided never to do so again because it's distracting. I noticed when I was driving I was less aware of my environment if I had a phone in my face. I know many people who talk on the phone while driving, and I have a friend who insists on texting me when he drives, and it scares me.

Studies have shown that simply talking on a phone while driving is as dangerous as driving drunk. There's even an episode of "Mythbusters" that illustrates this very well.

For those of you who already drive while drinking, or just don't care, I know what will change your mind: You are going to kill somebody.

Think about this for a minute. How many times do you see students walking who do not pay attention to the drivers on the road? How many times have you had to screech to a halt because somebody walked out in front of you – probably talking on a cell phone – and you thought to yourself, "Geez, I almost hit that moron."

Now think about the number of times you've crossed a road and assumed because the driver of the oncoming car was pretty far away,

they would stop or at least slow down for you. If they're using a cell phone or, God forbid, texting, they might not.

For those of you who are arrogant enough to assume that if you do get hit while crossing the road because of a distracted driver, you can just sue them, you might want to take a closer look at road kill. It's hard to sue somebody if your spleen is smeared all over the road, and I doubt your parents will have any consolation over any money they might win in a lawsuit to help pay for your funeral.

Yes, please ban cell phones, City of Manhattan. Just make sure the cops follow the rules as well. I've seen them texting while driving, too.

Karen Ingram is a sophomore in English. Please send comments to opinion@spub.ksu.edu.



KAREN INGRAM

THE FOURUM

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Rain boots should never be compared to Uggs. Never.

To all you Johnson County haters out there: You can laugh all you

want while you shine my shoes.

So, I looked up from my laptop in the Union to see a gorilla sitting next to me, staring intently at me. One of the creepiest things ... ever.

You know what? Everything in the Fourum is not made by the students. It's made up by some creepy journalist in a back room.

WWJD for a Klondike bar?

Beth Mendenhall should write an article about how much "Twilight" sucks. I would support that.

This is the Camry guy, and you

must clearly have never been to Johnson County. Toyota Camrys and Fake Bake tans.

I just had a nightmare that I called the Fourum and accidentally got Beth Mendenhall.

I own boat shoes, but I didn't wear them to class today because I don't want them to get wet.

Ok, I'm trying to form a game of hide-and-seek in the library. What's the best time for everybody?

I just saw Dr. Bosco standing on a street corner. Go State!

It would be really easy to hide a

body in the stream outside the International Student Center.

Damn you, "8 Minute Legs."

Hey, this is Brandon. Don't know which one you're talking about. Need more information.

Do you have Time Warner? Yeah. Lots better than the Cox I had back in Manhattan. That's what she said.

Mother fuggly those Uggs are ugly.

I think the name of Uggs should be changed to Fugglies.

To the frat guys who came into Hale Library listening to "The Dude's

Girlfriend": First, the song was bad. Second, the singing was terrible. Thanks for ruining my study.

Where have you been all my life, pound cake?

Hey boom box kid, where's your boom box? I miss it. Please bring it back. Thanks, bye.

Ford girls rock.

I'm pretty sure my friend just tried to get high off of dry shampoo.



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I just saw a guy in the parking lot pull up in his truck, chug a whole Natty Lite and then walk to class.

What a hero. He might drop out of college and go to work at a fast food joint for the rest of his life, but he has earned our respect.

The world will end when the Fourum calls me back.

Do not tempt the Fourum.

Since when was "Buf-faloes" spelled with an E-S? Come on, Collegian editors.

In 1934, Colorado officially named their sports team "the Buffaloes." That would make it 75 years it has been spelled with an E-S, give or take.

So, last weekend I went to Sonic on Friday, and there was a guy so drunk in front of me, that he was ordering at the trash can instead of the window.

Did he receive his order?

You know what? Everything in the Fourum is not made by the students. It's made up by some creepy journalist in a back room.

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STREET TALK: EDITORS

Q: What is your favorite Halloween memory?




“Halloween has always been a great excuse to dress up like characters from Disney movies. As a child, these costumes let me pretend I was a princess.”

Sarah Rajewski
News Editor




“When I was younger, my dad worked in a 28 story building. All the secretaries would have candy and we could trick-or-treat.”

Elena Buckner
Edge Editor




“One year my little brother and I found out a few houses in our neighborhood were giving out full size candy bars. We changed costumes three times that night.”

Matt Binter
Managing Editor




“I suppose my favorite Halloween memory would be trick-or-treating in my grandma’s neighborhood with my sisters and most of my cousins.”

Tim Schrag
Campus Editor



“My brother dressed up one year and pretended to be a decoration. My friend was so scared she ran away in her Care Bear costume.”

Natalie Crane
Co-Copy Chief




“Last year, I stuffed a bunch of pillows under a blue jacket and went as Mangino. Apparently some people thought I was the real Mangino.”

Justin Nutter
Sports Editor




“My mom was a teacher and she would give out pencils on Halloween and people would pencil our yard.”

Joel Aschbrenner
Editor in Chief




“One of my friends dressed up as Wayne from “Wayne’s World” and let me shave his hair into a mullet. His hair didn’t grow back for weeks.”

Bethaney Wallace
Co-Copy Chief




“My favorite Halloween memory was the time that Tim had to dress up as a whore.”

Frank Male
Opinion Editor




“I dressed up as a leave-stuffed-dummy. When kids knocked on the door, I stood up and they ran away screaming. It was mean, but it was also awesome.”

Jason Miller
Metro Editor



“I was about eight and I had an alien costume with a mask that had fake blood that would run down it when I squeezed this heart pump.”

Rachel Spicer
Presentation Editor



“My favorite Halloween probably had to be the time I dressed up as Jason the red power ranger!”

Lisle Alderton
Photo Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student remembers deceased fraternity member

Dear Editor:

This weekend, Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity is sponsoring a philanthropy to honor Mo Meyer, a fraternity brother who tragically lost his life last fall.

I met Mauritius Arnoldus Meyer my very first day of freshman year at Lansing High School. Over the years, we got to know each other pretty well, enough to decide to live together at K-State. Mo and I were both interested in greek life and by the end of the summer we both made the decision to pledge with Delta Sigma Phi.

I'll never forget the day we moved into Delta Sig. It felt like we were young and powerful with nothing but memories to be made. Neither of us felt it that day, but we would soon learn that we were boys with so much left to learn about life.

Over the course of the first semester we grew together, first as better friends, and then as brothers. I can say to this day that we left a lot of immaturity behind on our way to being brothers. One of the proudest moments of my life is when we were initiated as full members of Delta Sigma Phi.

I'll never forget the day of the accident. Everything about my life at that point seemed like a dream. I was about to turn 19 and I had a lot to look forward to as the semester closed. That dream quickly turned into a nightmare when our president told me that we needed to get in touch with Mo's parents right then.

The rest of the day is a huge blur. I remember a meal hardly stomachached, phone calls, a hospital room and a sense of despair. But mostly I remember breaking down next to his bed. I just couldn't grasp it, and I really don't think I ever will.

Mo left us with a lot to learn. He was a person who loved to have fun and enjoy all the things life offered him. This is why we decided to honor his memory with something fun, rather than something more staid.

Mo cared about his studies, which is why the money raised from this event is going to a scholarship fund in Mo's name. Mo would love the idea of helping another person get an education.

But most of all Mo loved and cared for people, which is why it would have made him so happy to see all of you there.

Russell Buchanan
SOPHOMORE IN SECONDARY EDUCATION

Student speaks against alcohol ban

Dear Editor,

Monday I attended the Interfraternity Council (IFC) meeting to get educated on the new changes that are occurring in the event policy. I wanted to bring up some issues that I and many others in my house have with the hard alcohol ban. This ban needs to be on a house-by-house basis for many reasons.

First, all houses are set up differently with alcohol rules, living rules, etc. One thing that sets our house apart is that we live in the house the entire time that we go to K-State. IFC has repeatedly told us this is a huge asset to our house due to senior leadership, and I believe that.

This also means that at least 50 percent of our house is 21, unlike any other house. Every other house allows out-of-house status, which means most members have moved out by the time they turn 21. With the way the event policy now reads, this is an extreme disadvantage to us.

Keeping senior members inside the house would be harder than ever, and this applies to all houses. We would not be allowed to have hard alcohol, a very legal substance to us, in our own houses.

Second, Monday night, IFC referred to fraternity houses as a safe-haven for underage drinking. I couldn't agree more with that statement. The reason Phi Kappa Theta has resumed wet is for safety of our members.

Students are going to drink in college if they want to; there's no question about that. We would rather our members stay in our house if they choose to drink. This way members of the house can watch over their brothers and cut them off or even take care of them if need be, rather than having our members wander off to house parties where they would be walking all over Manhattan, at risk for MIPs, assault or God knows what else.

Case in point: For the first three years I was in Phi Kappa Theta, we voted for the first two weeks of the fall semester to be dry in the house, to get the new members acquainted to college without the influence of alcohol. Every year we did this, new members and older members alike would leave the house on the weekends only to drink at other houses. They would wind up lost places, sleeping at random houses, etc.

Now, I know they would still be able to have beer here, but I don't want to have our members have to leave our house to drink hard alcohol. That only spells disaster.

Lastly, IFC should not have to make revisions to the event policy due to individual houses not being able to handle their own personal houses.


Phi Kappa Theta has never had to hospitalize a member in an alcohol-related incident in my four years here, due to the reasons above.

Members of IFC are presidents for a reason. They need to handle their own problems and put a hard alcohol ban inside their own respective houses instead of turning to IFC to handle their problems for them.

I hope all voting members on IFC seriously consider this when voting Monday. Please keep this ban inside each individual house, as it absolutely should be.

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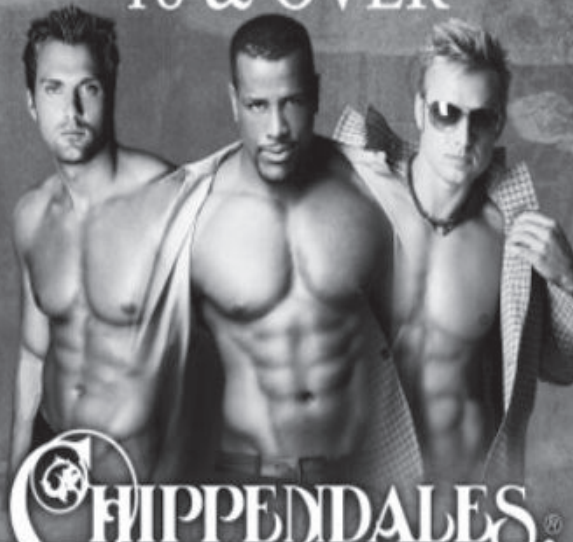
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OU’s talent, consistency should outplay K-State

As the Big 12 Conference football season continues, the Collegian will feature a weekly column by a writer from the opposing school’s publication. This week’s column is by Jono Greco of Oklahoma’s student newspaper, the Oklahoma Daily.

If someone told you at the beginning of the season when OU and K-State met up, it would be between a three-loss team and the Big 12 Conference North leader, you would probably laugh in their face.

But, that is the situation we find ourselves in on Saturday in Norman, Okla.

The Sooners have faced some adversity this season due to key injuries to Heisman-winner Sam Bradford and senior tight end Jermaine Gresham but have managed to scrape out a 4-3 overall record and a 2-1 Big 12 record.

On the other side of the ball, with head coach Bill Snyder back, the Wildcats have surprised Big 12 fans, by storming out to an impressive 3-1 conference record.

Despite all K-State has accomplished so far, OU is a 26-point favorite to win. In all honesty, the Sooners should be the favorite over a team with a better record.

OU has won 27 straight games in Norman dating back to 2005, and in three games this season it has shut out its visiting opponents twice and outscored them 142-7.

Also, the Sooners can finally put to rest the idea that Bradford may come back this season and let freshman quarterback Landry Jones step up and take control of the offense. Now that Jones can claim the team as his own, he will be able to feel more relaxed under center and run an efficient offense.

Jones has started four games this season and put up impressive numbers while winning three games. He has completed 117 of 192 passes for 1,363 yards with 13 touchdowns and six interceptions.

He would have better stats this season if his receivers had not dropped numerous passes.

The only daunting question remaining for OU is whether junior running back DeMarco Murray will play. He suffered an ankle injury Oct. 17 against Texas and missed the game against Kansas.

This should be a good game between two good programs, but in the end the Sooners should walk away with the victory.

Jono Greco is a Sports Writer for The Oklahoma

CROSS COUNTRY

Team prepares for Big 12 Championship

By Danny Davis
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Wildcat cross country team competes in the Big 12 Championship on Saturday.

Head coach Michael Smith said the Big 12 Conference is the strongest conference in the NCAA, and he holds high expectations for the women’s team in this year’s championship.

“I expect the women to run to their potential,” Smith said. “I want to see in the race what I see in the practice.”

Smith believes the women’s team is in the top half of the conference. From the Big 12 meet, five teams will advance to the NCAA Championship.

“Invariably, it’s hard,” Smith said. “It’s not one person you’re relying on, but multiple people.”

Front-runner Beverly Ramos, senior, is preparing not only for the race, but also for the end of her collegiate career.

“Every single race is the last thing I’ll do [in college],” Ramos said. “I really have high expectations.”

Ramos said she is prepared to do her part, but it is a team effort that wins the meet.

“I don’t regret anything,” Ramos said, reflecting on her career. “It’s been great.”

The men’s team will also be competing at the conference meet.

“I think we’re going to compete as well as we can,” said junior Jack Sachse.

The majority of the team is comprised of freshmen and sophomores, and Smith said he hopes the team can build on the conference meet for future years.

“The guys are developing,” Smith said. “We’ve got a lot of young guys.”

This year’s Big 12 Conference Championship will be held in Columbia, Mo.

SPORTS

Wildcats looking for conference victory

By Sam Nearhood
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State volleyball team will be back on the road Saturday for the second straight away game as it battles the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla., at 2 p.m.

The match starts just hours before a football game with the same match-up. The Sooners are receiving votes from the AVCA.

Oklahoma (14-7, 7-5 Big 12 Conference) swept Colorado Wednesday night, but posted individual and team stats much lower than those from K-State in its match against Colorado. Meanwhile, K-State (8-13, 2-9) fell to Missouri, a despairing defeat in a highly anticipated match. Junior outside hitter JuliAnne Chisholm said that her team was disappointed, but spirits were still running high.

“Last night was frustrating, because it was not the outcome that we were looking for,” Chisholm said. “It’s not fun to lose. It brings out the not-so-good qualities. But we had a little team meeting today, we really refocused, and we had a great practice.”

Oklahoma leads the overall series 44-25. However, the record book has been dripping with purple since 1999, with the Wildcats winning 16 of 20 meetings.

Four strong defensive players appear on Oklahoma’s roster. Of those, Maria Fernanda, junior defensive specialist, leads with 376 digs, followed by senior outside hitter Bridget Laplante. Overall, the team has 1,399 digs, compared to 1,200 from K-State. Up front, sophomore right side hitter Suzy Boulavsky has swung for strong figures. Also well-rounded offensively is junior middle blocker Francie Ekwerekwu, who has 182 kills for .272 attack percentage, 11 aces and 71 total blocks.

K-State will answer with strong numbers. The back row will rally around junior libero Lauren Mathewson, fresh off capturing



Vanessa Murray, junior outside hitter for the K-State volleyball team, spikes the ball against Baylor University Saturday at Ahearn Field House. The Cats play the Sooners at the University of Oklahoma Saturday afternoon.

eight place in career digs for K-State, with 330 digs and 17 aces this season. Her right-hand woman will be freshman defensive specialist Caitlyn Donahue, totaling an even 200 digs to pair nicely with her 11 aces. Senior middle blocker Kelsey Chipman, who performed well against Missouri despite battling sickness, will hopefully return to the court alongside freshman middle blocker and

“We’ve got nothing to lose. We’re ready to go out there and start winning some volleyball games.”

—JuliAnne Chisholm,
Junior outside hitter

break-out star Alex Muff and the aforementioned Chisholm, who said the Wildcats will show up in Oklahoma as a new team.

“We’re excited,” Chisholm said. “We’ve got nothing to lose. We’re ready to go out there and start winning some volleyball games. We’re tired of losing. We just want to go and put everything out there and play up to our capabilities. We’re excited for Saturday.”

EQUESTRIAN

Team to host Oklahoma State Saturday

By Tyler Scott
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The fifth-ranked Wildcat equestrian team will look to remain undefeated against the fourth-ranked Cowgirls of Oklahoma State. The teams will square off at Fox Creek Farms tomorrow.

This will be the third straight match against a top 10 team for K-State.

Oklahoma State enters the competition with a 2-1 record so far. The Cowgirls’ only loss came against New Mexico State in a 11-9 decision.

Head coach Casie Lisabeth said she wants to see how the players can do this week.

“I want to see consistency and see the riders step up to a new level each show,” Lisabeth said.



Katie Mellon, senior on the Equestrian team, rides **Marty** against Baylor University October 17 at Fox Creek Farms.

The team will look for a dominating performance from the Horsemanship group,

which had only lost two points on the season. Senior Laura Browne is off to a terrific start, having gone 2-0 in

her first two matches. She also garnered MVP honors for both of those matches.

Lisabeth said matches will become more challenging as the season progresses.

“The competition will get harder, and we need to do better every weekend we participate,” Lisabeth said.

The month of October is recognized as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. This weekend, the team will wear pink ribbons on their uniforms to raise awareness. Spectators are also encouraged to wear pink to Saturday’s show.

The show is scheduled for a 10 a.m. start and is free to the public. Complete results will be posted as they become available.

COLLEGIAN STAFF PICKS

Members of the Collegian staff, University President, Kirk Schulz, and our readers will pick the winners of six college football games each Friday this fall.



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No. 5 USC at No. 10 Oregon	Oregon	Oregon	USC	USC	Oregon	Oregon

CELEBRITY NEWS

GOSELIN ACCUSED OF EMOTIONAL ABUSE

Hailey Glassman, Jon Gosselin's current girlfriend, recently accused Gosselin of being emotionally abusive.

In an interview on "The Insider," Glassman said he often takes out his anger on her.



Gosselin

"He has 'man-trumps,'" Glassman said. "I shouldn't have to put up with being emotionally abused. I cry and say, 'Why are you so mean to me?'"

But she often does not get a straight answer.

"Sometimes he has trouble with the truth," she said, "and he will dance and dance around his lies. He's like Jekyll and Hyde. But I still love him."

Ever since she started dating Gosselin, her life has changed, Glassman said.

"I met Jon in a bubble," she said. "I'd never seen the show. I had no idea ... I get called a home wrecker and a fat whore ... It gets worse every day."

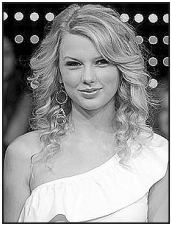
Glassman admitted their relationship is "not normal," but said she cannot imagine leaving Gosselin. "I don't want to leave him all alone," she said. "At the end of the day, I love him but I dislike him at times."

A source close to Jon said Gosselin was supportive of Glassman doing the interview and wanted her to be able to clear her name.

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RUMORS SWIRL ABOUT SWIFT AND LAUTNER

In the contest between "Twilight" stars Robert Pattinson (Edward Cullen) and Taylor Lautner, (Jacob Black) it is clear where Taylor Swift's loyalty is. The singer, who has been spending time with Lautner, told CMT Radio's she's definitely on "team Jake."



Swift

When asked about rumors that the pair, who attended a hockey game together in L.A. Sunday and had dinner with Swift's mom Monday, are a couple, Swift played coy.

"I don't know, he's an amazing guy and we're really close ... and ah ... yep," she said on the radio show. "We're in a movie together and I am really excited about seeing it."

Swift also spoke to Ellen DeGeneres about the relationship between the two stars and about their on-screen kiss but declined to comment on whether Lautner is "a good kisser."

When asked about their recent appearance at a hockey game, Swift said it was simply because "I really like hockey a lot and it turns out so does he."

If they become an official couple, Lautner will be the first person Swift has dated since breaking up with Joe Jonas last fall.

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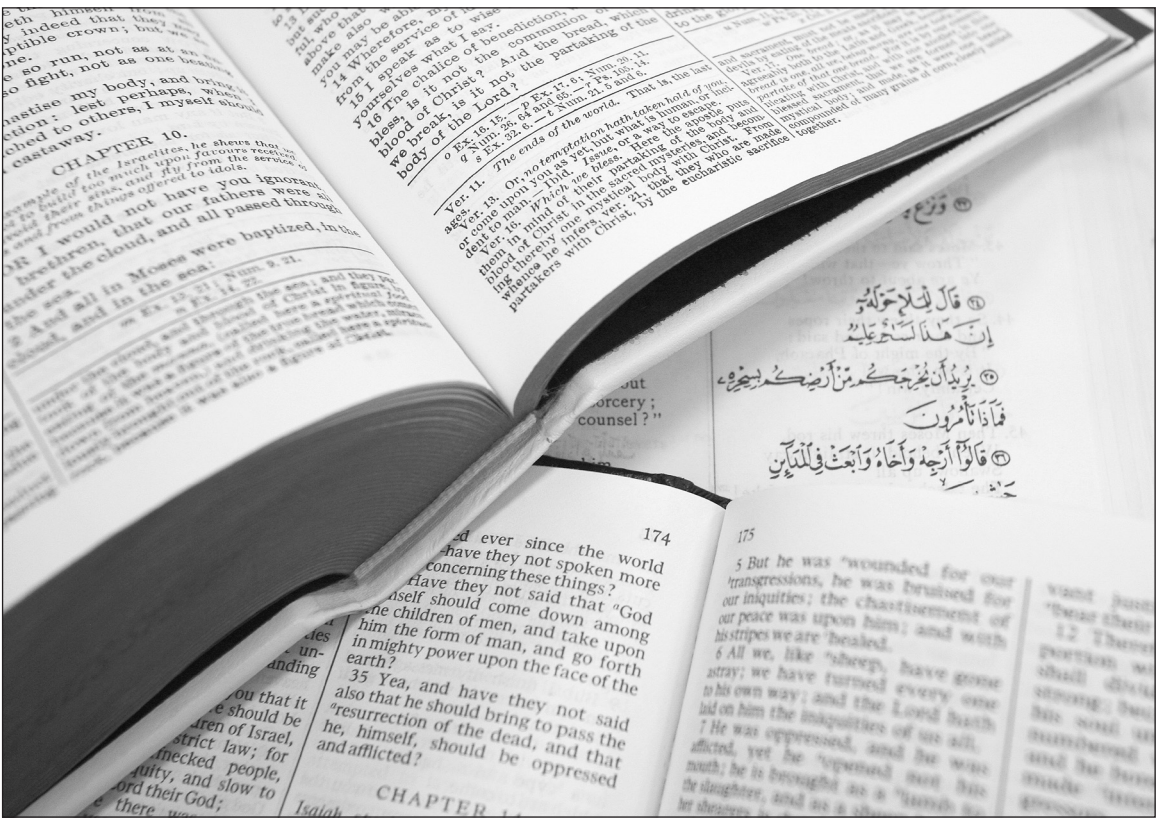


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The Bible, the Book of Mormon and the Quran are the three main texts for the religious adherents to Christianity, Mormonism and Islam.

Manhattan leaders share their religions' beliefs, practices

By Melissa Short
K-STATE COLLEGIAN

Religious leaders are sometimes stereotyped or misunderstood in today's world, but often lead lives similar to lay people. Most religions allow their leaders to marry, and many even have day jobs. Requirements for religious leaders vary depending on the religion and even the denomination, but leaders throughout Manhattan said they feel they live normal lives compared to the people around them.

JESUS CHRIST CHURCH OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

"Of course I live a normal life. I have a wife, six kids and a job," said Sterling Napp, president of the Manhattan area Jesus Christ Church of Latter-day Saints stake. Napp presides over ten congregations in the Manhattan area and said his life is just like any other person living in the Manhattan community.

"Being president isn't a job. I was asked to do it for a period of time, and after about 10 years, there will be a new president," Napp said.

He has no restrictions beyond those of other members, which include abstinence from drinking, smoking and extramarital sex. He also has a job apart from his churches. Napp said the most common misconception about the church is that members are polygamists or are bigoted.

"People see us as closed-minded and bigoted, but we don't feel that way," Napp said.

ISLAM

Obair Siddiqui is the president of the Student Muslim Association (SMA) and

said he believes there are many misunderstandings about his religion.

"Especially after 9/11, there were so many misconceptions about our religion. One of the aims of SMA is to educate the population about the values of Islam and what our beliefs are," Saddiqui said.

Saddiqui said a core belief of Islam is that all men are equal and that this concept extends to imams, the Islamic leaders.

"We don't believe that imams are greater than anyone else," Saddiqui said. "Anyone can talk to God. The job of an imam is to lead prayer and study the religion more closely."

Imams of both the Sunni and Shiite sects of Islam are allowed to marry and have no more restrictions than other Muslims, said Saddiqui.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

Carol Barta is the clerk of the Manhattan Friends Meeting, and is one of a growing number of female religious leaders.

"A common misconception of Quakers is that there aren't any anymore, but there are several thriving branches," Barta said.

Barta said she draws her strength as a leader from her religious values and the testimonies of her Quaker faith, which include peace, integrity and equality.

Because the Quaker faith is not practiced like many other religions and involves a lot of meditation, Barta's duties include leading meetings, helping with projects and helping new members entering the religion.

"To be a clerk I was elected, and in a few years, when I feel like it's time for me to step down, another clerk will be elected," said Barta.

Besides being a clerk, Barta is also a full-time librarian.

BAPTIST

Rick Neubauer, minister of First Baptist Church in Manhattan said he didn't always want to be a minister.

"I used to teach and coach at Butler Community College, then God told me it was time to do something else. In some ways, it's similar to being a teacher, just in a different way," Neubauer said.

Neubauer is married with three daughters and said his family was very supportive for the most part, but some family members were skeptical about the financial aspect of being a minister. He said he draws his strength from being able to share with others the blessed life he and his wife have led and also from his frequent mission trips to Mexico.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Father Keith Weber, pastor of St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center, said he was called to the religious life in an unconventional way. He graduated from K-State and worked as a certified public accountant before entering the ministry.

"I began thinking about the priesthood my junior year at K-State, and after working as a CPA for a year, I decided to enter the seminary," Weber said.

Weber spent five years studying to be a priest and said his family has always been very supportive of his choices.

As a priest, Weber is not allowed to marry, and his housing, food and insurance is provided by the St. Isidore's congregation.

"After [priests] turns 70, they typically retire, but I think I will definitely stay active after that, maybe on a limited basis. I really love the community," Weber said.

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Students help with wheat crop research

By Nicole Stieben
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State students have been creating maps of wheat chromosomes to improve varieties of crops, allowing them to grow in harsh climates and feed more people.

The research, conducted by students working in K-State's Wheat Genetic and Genomic Resources Center, started four years ago when a wheat genome project was first introduced at K-State.

Sunish Sehgal, research associate in plant pathology, is working with the students to create a physical map of four chromosomes of wheat. A physical map of a chromosome consists of a representation of the linear order of the genes as well as other landmarks along the chromosome.

"Mapping wheat genomes is complex because we use a chromosome-by-chromosome approach," Sehgal said.

According to a press release, in this approach, chromosomes or chromosome arms are separated, then the DNA from each chromosome is fragmented and cloned. Each clone is then fingerprinted, and the data are analyzed to develop a map.

Sehgal said physical maps are necessary for the future of wheat genetics because they are the first step in sequencing the entire wheat genome. She also said the wheat genome is composed of three separate yet closely-related genomes and is six times larger than the human genome. Therefore, it represents a major challenge in genome sequencing and analysis.

However, Sehgal also said because wheat is one of the world's most important food crops, understanding and manipulating the genetics of wheat for enhanced yield potential is a very high priority.

"This has to be done," Sehgal said. "If not, we won't be able to feed the human population by 2050."

Since the wheat genome is the largest among crop plants, it presents a challenge in terms of cost and feasibility to complete the research. When setting up the facility at K-State, it took six months and \$50,000 to simply reach a level of efficiency in the labs.

"Money will always be an obstacle because this is just such an expensive process," Sehgal said.

The project is under the leadership of K-State's Bikram S. Gill, University Distinguished Professor of plant pathology.

According to a news release, the research has been funded by a \$1.5 million grant from the National Science Foundation. Funding has also been provided through a \$1 million grant from the National Research Initiative of the Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

Dean Spooner fills interim dean of Arts and Sciences position with passion, hard work

By Tyler Sharp
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

As a biologist, Brian Spooner's research has dealt with cell development. But to analyze how Spooner has developed is a study of its own.

THE MAN

The interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences was born in 1937. Spooner was heavily involved in sports in elementary and secondary schools. After becoming the first member of his family to graduate from high school, Spooner followed up on an opportunity to play basketball in college. Upon finishing at Hannibal-LaGrange College, Spooner entered Quincy College.

Before graduating from Quincy College, students were required to pass an oral and written examination regarding their coursework. In addition, students were required to take the Graduate Record Examination. Spooner's GRE scores provided him with a direction for the future.

"It turned out that I had like a 99th percentile on the graduate record exam, which was probably the first time I ever thought about graduate school," he said.

Along with a friend, Spooner started submitting applications to graduate schools that didn't require an application fee. Ultimately, Spooner accepted an opportunity to attend Temple University in Philadelphia, where he received a Ph.D. in cell and developmental biology.

THE ARRIVAL

After spending a year at the University of Washington Medical School and two years doing research at Stanford University, Spooner began looking for a full-time academic position. The opportunity at one school proved to be more appealing than the rest.

"I was very pleased and excited about the potential of the K-State Division of Biology, which had only been formed about three years before," he said. "It was rapidly expanding and growing in an exciting environment."

He ascended through the Division of Biology and eventually became the director in 1994. In the process, Spooner has received awards for his roles as a graduate faculty member and department head. He was named a University Distinguished Professor in 1999. The distinction is K-State's highest academic title, according

to his K-State Media Relations biography.

Spooner has also maintained involvement in the Manhattan community and the national community. Here in town he served as a youth sports coach for his four children. Nationally, Spooner is involved in numerous organizations but specifies the American Society for Gravitational and Space Biology as the most important.

"There was a whole period of 12 years in there that much of my research was related to space biology, and we had experiments on 18 different space shuttle flights," he said. "I flew zero-gravity flights out of the Johnson Space Center back in the late 1980s. I went out in the middle of the Atlantic on recovery ships, which caught rockets that were carrying our experiments. That kind of society keeps the academic discipline alive."

Throughout Spooner's research, he has noted that gravity is a force that affects all development and evolution. His research shows that putting an individual in a microgravity environment will result in deficient blood flow to extremities, thinning of the heart muscle and large blood flow to the head. The seemingly inevitable expansion of mankind beyond the Earth is where Spooner's research comes into play.

"There will be a time when mankind will expand into other parts of the universe, and to do that they will have to deal with all kinds of new environments, including ones that don't have the gravity vector that we have," he said. "So we are going to have to know how to deal with that for not only ourselves but any plants or animals we want to bring along."

Accounting for future expansion also served him well when a new opportunity presented itself.

THE DEANSHIP

Stephen White began a phased retirement from the position of dean of the College of Arts and Sciences in 2008. To find a replacement, K-State initiated a national search.

Friends and colleagues encouraged Spooner to apply, he said. Spooner declined, citing an interest in ushering in a new individual. But when none of the candidates who interviewed for the position of dean were offered the job, Spooner saw an opportunity to contribute. The opportunity came through the interim dean position.

"I agreed to because the financial circumstances of the university, this state, this nation, make this a very difficult time for this institution and this college," he said. "This college is the academic heart and soul of the university. It impacts all

of the other colleges, and if this college doesn't survive, doesn't do extremely well, this won't be a great university. So this is the key to it all."

Spooner, who will serve as interim dean until July 1, 2010, said he is not pretending to be dean.

"Therefore, I am making all of the decisions as if I'm going to be here for the next 50 years," he said.

On a typical full day, meetings with students, faculty members, administrators, fellow deans and members of central administration dot his schedule. A considerable amount of his time has been spent trying to resolve holes in the budget.

Spooner said the college has 20 faculty positions open that will not be filled. The college is somewhere between \$3 and \$6 million under-funded, he said.

"So, how do we get through this year? That's what I've been working on, on a daily basis," he said. "At the same time, I am working hard trying to develop plans and policies that increase funding for the college."

His work is not going unnoticed. Joe Aistrup, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has been paying attention.

"Dean Spooner has helped the College of Arts and Sciences navigate through some very difficult times in the last three months," Aistrup said. "He deserves a lot of credit."

In terms of goals for the college, Spooner believes in facilitating faculty and student achievement. More immediate goals are oriented toward surviving the budget crisis and creating a resource base for the college's future.

When his tenure as dean comes to a close, Spooner plans on returning to the Division of Biology and continuing to serve as director. He has been on leave since accepting the dean's position.

All the while, he will continue his goal of incremental improvement.

"A little more, a little bit better every day, and we will achieve," Spooner said.

Monica Khurana, junior in microbiology and gerontology and president of the College of Arts and Sciences Ambassadors, is confident these achievements will occur.

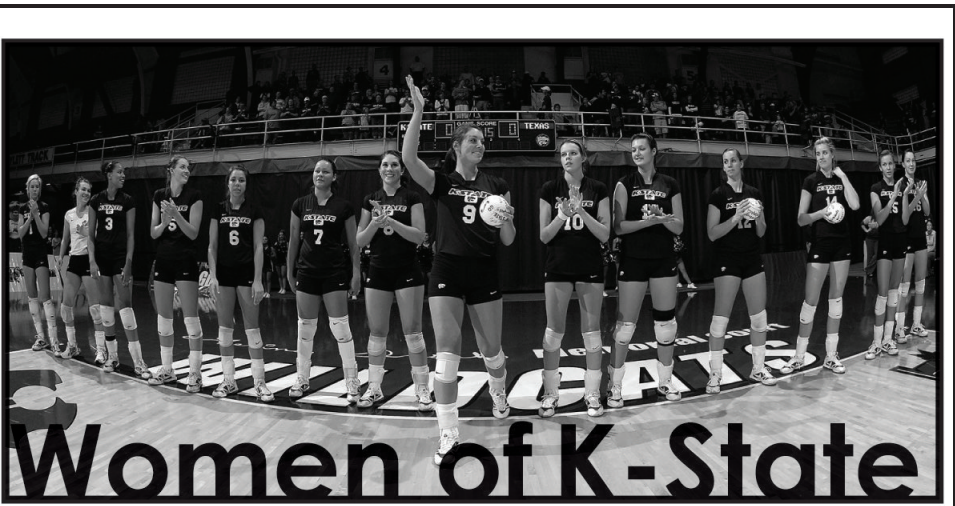
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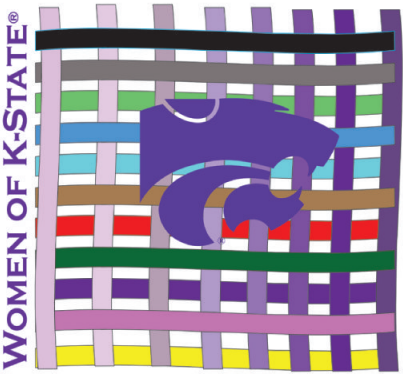


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DAWN | Former St. Jude patients speak at event

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last year; more than 200 universities participate in Up ‘til Dawn each year.

“It’s the best cause out there,” Leonard said. “St. Jude gives these families hope.”

To illustrate what the students’ hard work would achieve, two former patients of St. Jude came to speak at the event.

“My treatment alone was over \$3 million,” said Jillyn Schmidt, drawing shocked gasps from the audience. Schmidt, a 2001 K-State graduate, was diagnosed with Hodgkin’s in 1989.

“At 11 years old, no child should have to face their mortality,” Schmidt said, fighting back tears. She added that the survival rate for her type of cancer has gone from about 65 percent to 95 percent because of funds raised by programs like Up ‘til Dawn.

Many of the groups that registered for the event were in fraternities and sororities, including the entire Delta Delta Delta sorority.

Brice Lohman, junior in psychology, came to the event with a group of friends from Delta Tau Delta. This is Delta Tau



Daniel Domsch, junior in business management, seals a letter to try and raise money for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital while attending Up ‘Til Dawn in the Union Ballroom Thursday night.

Delta’s first year back at K-State, and Lohman was certain that it would not be their last.

“I think it’s going to be a tradition,” Lohman said.

Morgan Johnson, sophomore in biology, came with some of her fellow members of Zeta Phi Delta sorority.

“We’re really centered on community service,” Johnson

said.

Mitch Jost, who was diagnosed with a kidney tumor at 4 years old and treated at St. Jude, expressed his admiration for the hard work of the students who volunteered to raise money.

“St. Jude cares so much for others,” Jost said, nodding to the crowded room. “But these guys are the real heroes.”

Tommy Theis | COLLEGIAN

SGA | Recreation Complex expansion plans discussed Thursday night

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visible in halves or thirds, allowing for more functionality.

Additional features to be included in the expansion and remodeling are a juice bar, games – such as pingpong – and a bouldering area to complement the climbing wall.

The design force is striving to incorporate university spirit and campus elements into the design as much as possible.

Resa Kemper, student architect for facility planning, highlighted some elements that “focus on the spirit of K-State.” One of the ideas was to incorporate etched glass windows. These windows would provide shade on the inside while letting light through. They could display a variety of graphics, including K-State emblems or text.

She also presented an illustration of windows along the climbing wall with some tinted purple in the shape of a large “K,” for K-State.

They are also purchasing a statue for the exterior of the building that depicts a Wildcat. It

was sculpted by a former K-State student who has agreed to sculpt another which will be 1.5 times the size of an actual wildcat.

Images of Willie the Wildcat are planned for the interior, however the Powercat will not be displayed.

The design representatives elaborated on the legal ramifications for usage of the Powercat logo. According to McMullen, the logo is trademarked by the athletic department and may only be displayed on buildings directly related to athletics. Since the Rec Center is used by all students, royalties would have to be paid to the athletic department if they were to consider allowing its usage.

Overall, the project is progressing smoothly and the SGA was pleased by the status report.

“I think it’s really exciting to see us move through the process ... to show students you voted for this a year ago, this is what you’re getting from that investment,” said Student Body President Dalton Henry, senior in agricultural economics, agricultural communications and journalism.

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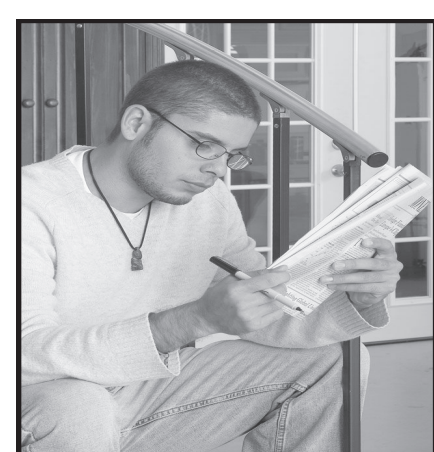
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Spooky siege

Fort Riley hosts haunted house Friday, Saturday nights

By Reyna Lay
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The mugginess of the night and pouring rain only added to the fear factor of the Fort Riley Haunted House. The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) organization, and Morale, Welfare and Recreation command, joined forces to put on a haunted house in order to raise funds for future BOSS events.

Fort Riley soldiers and residents of Manhattan waited in line to enter the horror of the mental institution with anticipation, fear and excitement.

"I'm getting so scared, and we're not even in there yet," said Laura Dillon, sophomore in business marketing and MWR intern, as the Michael Myers Halloween theme song played in the background.

The abandoned barracks were set up in a maze, and a guide led the way through the horror of clowns, zombies and a possessed woman.

"There were parts I didn't expect, like the guy with the 'Saw' mask," said JC King, radio jockey for KACZ 96.3. "'Saw' scares me. When he came out, that was it for me, I was scared."

People were jumping with fear, screaming at the top of their lungs and pushing each other trying to escape the terror, only to find themselves in another room full



Sprinting to the next room, Wynter Barnes, Manhattan resident, shrieks as she escapes from a spooky character in the haunted house. The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers organization and Morale, Welfare and Recreation command, combined to host a haunted house in Fort Riley Thursday evening.

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of zombies.

"That was the scariest haunted house that I've been to in a long time," Dillon said. "I definitely did not expect the 'Chainsaw Massacre' guy sprinting towards me; I ran full speed out of the room, and I was freaking out and screaming."

Dick Young, director of military affairs for Briggs Auto Group, helped sponsor the fear house.

"This is a great opportunity for

everyone to have safe fun on Halloween," Young said. "We even provided a safe zone for parents to drop off their kids while they go into the house and get scared. I went into the house while it was still daylight, and it was very scary. Now I just have to try to get my wife to go."

Pvt. 1st Class Dan Bowman, BOSS vice president, said they have been working to set up the house since Oct. 1 with a crew of about 27 to 30 people.

"We are expecting a lot of soldiers to come to the house, but we are hoping that the surrounding communities also come," Bowman said. "We want people to know that there is also stuff to do in Ft. Riley not just in Manhattan."

Characters change personas as well as positions throughout the haunted house to keep visitors on edge.

"The Saw mask was first placed on a stick to scare people, then later on someone actually put it on and jumped out, so you never know what is going to happen," Bowman said.

The house was exciting and a night to remember for many guests.

"On a 0-10 scale, I rate this house a 10," King said.

The Fort Riley Haunted House is open from 7-11 p.m. on Custer Hill, Building 7224, in Fort Riley, tonight and Halloween night.




People wait to go into the main portion of the barracks, which served as the arena for the haunted house. Over 50 people waited outside in the rain waiting to enter the haunted house.



Psycho clowns jump out at visitors Thursday night at the BOSS haunted house in Fort Riley.



Chopped off like a slab of meat, a human head dangles as a prop in one of the rooms of the haunted house.



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